

Amend Section 31-206 to read:

31-206 CASE PLAN DOCUMENTATION

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- .1 (Continued)
- .2 The social worker shall document in the case plan the following information regarding case plan objectives for each person named in the case plan:
  - .21 Measurable, time-limited objectives based on the problems and family strengths identified in the assessment.
    - .211 The social worker shall include specific descriptions of the responsibilities of the parent(s)/guardian(s) in meeting the case plan objectives.
      - (a) In the case of parents/guardians who are incarcerated, institutionalized or participating in a court-ordered residential substance abuse treatment program, the social worker shall include a description of the services available within said institution to achieve their case plan objectives and goals.
      - (b) The social worker shall describe any barriers regarding services due to the parent(s)/legal guardian(s) confined status to complete all objectives of the case plan, including visitation/contact with the child.
      - (c) The social worker shall describe any barriers to accepting or completing services because of the minor or nonminor dependent status of the parent.
    - .212 In the case of an Indian child, the case plan shall include the concurrent option of Tribal Customary Adoption.
    - .2123 (Continued)
  - .22 through .221(a) (Continued)
    - .222 For children in out-of-home care, the social worker shall document the two services tracks identified for children receiving family reunification services.
      - (a) (Continued)

- (b) The services to be provided and steps to be taken to implement the permanency alternative identified in the case plan if family reunification fails.
  - (1) In the case of an Indian child, the social worker shall document the services to be provided and the steps to be taken to implement the permanency alternative, including, in the case of an Indian child, Tribal Customary Adoption, identified in the case plan, if family reunification fails. Permanent placement may only occur if there is evidence beyond a reasonable doubt that is supported by the testimony of a qualified expert witness as required by Section 31-135.42 that the continued custody of the child by the parent or Indian custodian is likely to result in serious emotional or physical damage to the child. The social worker shall also document compliance with the standards required by ICWA as detailed in Section 31-201.121(c)(3)(A)2 through 7.

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Welfare and Institutions Code Section 366.24 states:

(b) Whenever an assessment is ordered pursuant to Section 361.5, 366.21, 366.22, 366.25, or 366.26 for Indian children, the assessment shall address the option of tribal customary adoption.

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.23 through .522 (Continued)

Authority Cited: Sections 10553, 10554, and 16501.1, Welfare and Institutions Code; and Section 17552, Family Code; and Public Law 109-288.

Reference: Sections 224.6, 358.1, 361, 361.31, 361.5, 361.7, 366.1, 366.21, 366.22, 366.24, 366.25, 706.5, 706.6, 727.3, 4094, 4094.5, 4094.6, 4094.7, 5585.58, 5600.3, 16002, 16501, 16501.1, ~~and~~ 16507 and 16508.1, Welfare and Institutions Code; 25 USC 1912(e); 42 USC 675(1) and 677; Sections 7901, 7911, 7911.1, 7912, and 17552, Family Code; ~~and~~ Section 1502, Health and Safety Code; and Public Law 109-288.

Amend Section 31-525 to read:

31-525 INDEPENDENT LIVING PROGRAM (ILP)

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.1 and .2 (Continued)

.3 Youth shall be eligible for ILP services up to their 21st birthday provided one of the following criteria is met:

.31 Were/are in foster care at any time from their 16th to their 19th birthday. This ~~does not~~ includes youth placed in detention facilities, locked facilities, forestry camps, training schools, facilities that are primarily for the detention of youth who are adjudicated delinquent, medical and psychiatric facilities, voluntary placements, wraparound program participants, youth placed pursuant to an individualized education program and guardianship placements in which the youth is not a dependent or ward of the court.

.311 If the youth qualifies for these services due to previous dependency, the social worker/probation officer will provide the information necessary to access these services.

.32 through .51 (Continued)

.6 County social workers/probation officers shall:

.61 through .68 (Continued)

.69 Ensure that when the social worker/probation officer feels that a dependent in a group home placement will not achieve permanency prior to their 18th birthday, a transitional independent living plan is initiated for the youth.

.7 through .87 (Continued)

Authority Cited: Sections 10553, 10554, and 10609.4, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Reference: Sections 358(b), 366 et seq., 391, 607.5, 706.6, 727.2, 727.3, 10553, 10554, 10609.3, 11375, 16500.1, 16501, 16501.1, 16501.5, and 18987.6, Welfare and Institutions Code; and 42 U.S.C. Sections 672, 675 and 677.